

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at line 1 on page 7 with the following new paragraph:

Referring to Fig. [[4]] 3, in a method for performing a random access in a mobile communication system in accordance with a preferred embodiment of the present invention, it is assumed that one frame period of a forward common channel is 20ms, and each frame includes four RAS(random access slot) RAS0 ~ RAS3 allocated thereto. And, each of the random access slots RAS0 ~ RAS3 has a period of 5ms, consisting of three channel information bits each with a size of 1.25ms CIB0 ~ CIB2 and one power/reserve control bit PCB. Transmission of the channel information bits CIB0 ~ CIB2 and the power/reserve control bit PCB may be varied with situation and intention. For example, if only one message which requires a random access is generated in a right prior slot, transmission bits are formed as shown in Fig. [[4]] 3 for improving a reliability of the random access. Conversely, if at least two messages each of which requires a random access are generated in a right prior slot, the entire transmission bits may be formed of channel information bits. The base station may set the value of channel information bits CIB0 ~ CIB2 and the power/reserve control bit PCB allocated to one frame to A0"-idle status : I, or A1"-busy status : B, respectively.